A LETTER TO THE Earle of PEMBROKE FROM Sir EDVVARD BAYNTON in *Gloceſter.*

Shewing the true manner how himſelfe and Captaine *Edward Eyre* were ſurpriſed at *Malmsbury* by two Lieutenant-Collonels under the Earl of *Stamfords* command, upon pretended ground, and contrary to ſome ſcandalous relations in print.

With the reaſons inducing him formerly to ſeize upon Sir *Edward Hungerford.*

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TO THE
RIGHT HONOVRABLE
theEarle of PEMBROKE.

My Noble good Lord,

ON Munday night laſt being at *Malmsbury*, which is a Towne under my command, within eight miles off *Ciſſeter*, where I had drawne up 500 Men of my Regiment, for their ayd, and two Companies more upon their march; about nine of the clocke at night there came about 500 Horſe, and Dragoneeres, of the Earle of *Stan-*

ſorde Forces, out of *Glocesterſhire*, commanded by Lievtenant-Colonell *Furbuſh*, and Lievtenant-Colonell *Carr*, his Lordſhip being then at *Exceter*, and deſired lodging of me for that night, whereupon as ſoon as I was certainly informed who they were, I tooke order for the billeting of them, and let them in, which as ſoon as I had done, they came to me, pretending a great deale of friendſhip, but on the ſudden ſeized upon mee in my lodging, plundered me and my Souldiers of all that we had, and the next morning carried me and Captaine *Edward Eyre* to *Caſſeter*, with as much ignominy as was poſſible, upon two poore Dragoneeres, although they tooke from me as many

many Horſes for my own Saddle as were worth 300 pound; within two daies they carried me to this Towne, where they kept me in the ſame manner at this time; but I thanke God, they dare accuſe me of nothing, but ſay, that I would not bring up my Forces to *Ciſeter*, which I conceive I was no way bound to doe; eſpecially, Prince *Maurice* his Quarter being at *Farringdon* and *Wantage*, having there 1000 Horſe, within two Miles of *Wilts*; they ſay likewiſe that I had ſeized upon Sir *Edward Hungerford*, which I had juſt cauſe to doe; for beſides the correſpondence between him and my Lord *Seymor*, which I can bring pregnant proofe of, he ſent twice to my Serjeant Major, to com-

command him to draw up my
Forces to ſuch places as he ſhould
appoint, pretending that he had
an Order from the Parliment for
it, and ſent to my Souldiers to
leave me, and come to him, which
I could make no other interpre-
tation of, but that he intended to
betray me; whereupon *I* reſol-
ved to ſend him in ſafe cuſtody to
the Parliament, but he fled to *Ciſ-
ſeter*, and there *I* doe verily be-
leeve, did bribe the two Scotch
Lievtenant-Colonels to per-
forme this exploit; for he fled out
of *Wilts* about ſix weekes agone
and carried all his Family and
Goods into *Somerſetſhire*, where he
doth now reſide, and onely come
ſculking now and then into *Wilts*
to

to put tricks upon me. I have ſerved my Countrey under your Lordſhips and your brothers command theſe twenty yeeres, wherefore *I* beſeech your Lordſhip to undertake for me, for *I* am reſolved never to deſert the cauſe, but deſire to appeare at the Parliament with as much ſpeed as may be, which *I* hope your Lordſhip will further, for his ſake, who will ever be

Your moſt humble Servant,

Gloceſter,
Jan. 15.
1642.

E. BAYNTON.

FINIS.